

THE PRESIDENT SAILS AWAY

BUT THE MUD NEARLY HELD HIS YACHT AT OYSTER BAY.

Will Take Part Today in the Pilgrimage Celebration at Provincetown—His party sailed for him and his family—Wireless keeps him informed.

OYSTER BAY, Aug. 19.—President Roosevelt sailed on the Government yacht Mayflower this morning to take part in the celebration of the landing of the Pilgrims at Provincetown. He will spend the night at Provincetown and will leave for New York tomorrow.

The start was planned for 10 o'clock, but the President was a bit late in appearing and it was 10:30 before the Mayflower got under way. When the President makes a water journey on board a Government vessel there is always a pretty display of military courtesy, and the ceremony this morning was no exception. The Mayflower was escorted by a fleet of torpedo boats and a number of other vessels.

The Mayflower, shining in white paint and polished brasswork, lay just off Lloyd's Neck guarded by two grim torpedo boats, the Worden and Hopkins. A little before 10 o'clock a sailor shinned up to the mainmast of the Mayflower and a few minutes later in response to his signal there followed a frigate of the President's flag, the USS Albatross, and the ceremony of hoisting the President's flag was completed.

The President's lunch stood in close to the torpedo boats and the President stood up and uncovered in response to the salute as the men on the Worden and Hopkins manned the rails. As the President set foot on the starboard gangway of the Mayflower a bugle sounded and as he reached the deck the President's flag was hoisted out at the main truck and the band struck up "America." The President stood uncovered until the hymn was ended and then hurried out of sight as the guns began to salute the President.

"Good morning," as the sailors call it, bright and crisp, with wind enough to kick up a bit of sea.

While the ceremony of boarding the Mayflower was formal enough the progress of the launch to the yacht was marked by the most informal of greetings and good wishes. Miss Landon, in the launch, was a footstep, huffed up alongside to say "Good morning," and several launches clustered up to see Mr. Roosevelt off.

In the President's party are Mrs. Roosevelt, Miss Ethel Roosevelt, Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., Quentin Roosevelt, W. A. R. Roosevelt, Lieutenant-Commander Long, commander of the Sylph and Passed Assistant Surgeon Dykes, Assistant Secretary Landon, and two aides, Mr. and Mrs. Landon, leaving Secretary Loeb to labor at his desk in the executive office.

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When the President arrives on Tuesday morning the squadron commanded by Rear Admiral Davis, consisting of the Alabama, Illinois, Kentucky, Oregon, and Texas, will be stationed off Provincetown. Soon after the arrival of the Mayflower the usual naval ceremonies will take place. The President will be at 10:45 A. M. This is the order of exercises:

A committee consisting of the president of the Pilgrimage Society, the Governor of Massachusetts and the chairman of Selection of Provincetown will meet the President as he lands at the dock.

Procession from the dock to the place of ceremony on the hill, in carriages.

Prayer.

Short introduction by the president of the Pilgrimage Society of the Governor of the State.

Address by the Governor of the State welcoming the President of the United States and his family.

Address by the British Ambassador.

Address by Senator Henry Cabot Lodge.

Address by Congressman William C. Lovering.

Procession from the hill to the Town Hall and back.

The President will be conducted back to the wharf at 3:45 o'clock. The Mayflower will be under way at 4.

At Provincetown, Mass., Aug. 19.—This quiet little town of a single street, beside the crescent beach inside the tip of Cape Cod, is now on the tip of expectation.

The President will lay the cornerstone of the great monument to be built on the hill back of the town in commemoration of the first landing of the Pilgrims in 1620.

Already the town is filling up. The hotels, every boarding house and every private residence will be taxed to their capacity. The streets will be thronged with carriages and private yachts will fill the narrow main street and overflow into every yard and lawn in town.

A SCHOOL FOR APPRENTICES.

Santa Fe Railroad Will Educate Its Young Shop Mechanics.

TOPEKA, Kan., Aug. 19.—The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad, on the advice of Vice-President J. W. Kendrick, will establish in the local shops on September 1 a school of instruction for apprentices.

F. W. Thomas, who is at present engaged in teaching mechanics, will be supervisor of apprentices in the local shops. Five instructors will be taken from among the experienced employees, whose duties will be to look after the apprentices and see that they are instructed in all kinds of work. One instructor will be in charge of twenty-five apprentices.

There will also be a drawing school where boys will be taught mechanical drawing, arithmetic and the rudiments of mechanics. The school hours will be from 7:30 A. M. to 1:30 P. M., after which the students will report to the various foremen and proceed with their work in the shops. The school will instruct machinists, blacksmiths, boiler-makers, pattern-makers, tinners, painters and all the metal working apprentices. Schools will also be established at other points on the Santa Fe system.

WOMEN STRIKE FOR BABY FAME.

One Woman Notifies Roosevelt of Triplets and Another of Child No. 12.

WORCESTER, Mass., Aug. 19.—Mr. and Mrs. Patrick J. Spillane of 47 Eastern avenue today sent a letter to President Roosevelt stating that Mrs. Spillane last night gave birth to triplets, following twins born three years ago.

On the same mail went a note to the President from Mr. and Mrs. Galisteo Credit saying that to-day they had christened their fifteenth child, Hermine Lamotte Credit. Fifteen of the Credit children are living.

Fire Hits Out North Bergen Amusement.

Chris Internation's roadhouse, known as the Casino, at Little Ferry, N. J., in North Bergen, and several one-story buildings which were occupied as shooting galleries and slot machine booths were destroyed by fire early yesterday morning. A trolley car was caught in the flames and abandoned. The fire was caused by a gas leak. The loss was estimated at \$50,000.

THE WEATHER.

Areas of high pressure central over this section and over Montana covered almost all parts of the country yesterday and the weather was generally fair. In the South Atlantic and Gulf States, a weathered front in the central valleys and in the upper Lake regions. In the latter district and in Georgia the rainfall was heavy.

The low area over the Ohio valley and in the central over Lake Superior in the morning.

It was cooler in New England and south to southern New York, also from eastern Washington eastward to the Missouri and upper Mississippi valleys and south into Colorado.

From Texas northward to the middle Lakes and in northern California and the north Pacific States it was warmer.

New England, fair and warmer; wind fresh northeast; average humidity, 83 per cent. barometer, corrected to sea level, at A. M., 30.33; P. M., 30.28.

The temperature yesterday, as recorded by the official thermometer, is shown in the annexed table:

10 A. M. 19.0° 19.0° 19.0° 19.0° 19.0° 19.0°

12 M. 19.0° 19.0° 19.0° 19.0° 19.0° 19.0°

3 P. M. 19.0° 19.0° 19.0° 19.0° 19.0° 19.0°

Highest temperature, 77° at 2 P. M.

WASHINGTON FORECAST FOR TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW.

For centers New York, Boston, Philadelphia, New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland, fair and slightly warmer to-morrow; cooler in northern part; fresh southerly winds.

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LANNING PLEADS GUILTY.

Ex-Postmaster at Morham Park, N. J., Confesses Forgery.

George M. Lanning, ex-postmaster and president of the Board of Education of the borough of Morham Park, Morris county, N. J., pleaded guilty of forging two forged checks aggregating \$11,000 to the Federal Trust Company of Newark, before Judge Ten Eyck in the Court of Quarter Sessions at Newark yesterday. He was committed to await sentence to-day.

Lanning was arrested on a complaint of the trust company on August 9 and has been held a prisoner in default of \$15,000 bail in the Essex county jail. Since his apprehension it has developed that Lanning defrauded several other banks to an amount totaling \$55,000. He is alleged to have forged the signature of Carnot B. Meeker, president of the borough, Howard K. Young, clerk of the borough, and the borough seal. It is said that the Essex National Bank of New York discounted \$10,000 of Lanning's paper. Other institutions victimized are the National Bank of Morris County, which has five of Lanning's notes aggregating \$12,500; the Commercial Trust Company of Jersey City has about \$13,000 of Lanning's notes; the Orange National Bank has his paper for over \$9,000; the First National Bank of Arlington has \$5,000 more, and the Bernardsville National Bank has about \$500 signed by Lanning as borough treasurer.

Michael T. Barrett of Newark appeared as counsel for Lanning, and after the accused entered his plea the lawyer pleaded for clemency. He said:

"I can truthfully say that this case is not one of wine and women. My client is a good character and a true husband. He has the respect of every person who knows him. He was former postmaster of the borough where he resided, was graduated from Princeton and was a student at the University of Virginia. He has been a member of the Essex National Bank for over five years and has invested quite a large amount of money in speculation and risked money that did not belong to him. In his financial language, he has been a living hell to him for these years and the only night he has had a chance to rest since then was when he was taken to police headquarters and locked up. He fell and was caught."

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STRIKE ON CHICAGO BROKERS.

Telegraphers Act When Contracts Are Rejected—Small Makes Appeal.

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BUT THEY MAY HAVE NOTHING TO DO AT ALL.

Small Asks Gompers, Mitchell and Keefe to Act to Settle Telegraph Trouble, but Companies Won't Deal With the Union. No They Appear to Be Useless.

Word came from Washington last night that Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, with John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers, and Daniel J. Keefe, president of the International Longshoremen's Union, had been selected by President Small of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union of America as arbitrators for the striking telegraph operators.

Mr. Gompers said in Washington: "We are to attempt to get an honorable adjustment with the telegraph companies when the opportunity time arrives. This may be in an hour or in a week, or it may never come."

The three labor leaders are members of the executive council.

It is thought likely that President Small will be in Washington in a day or two to talk with the arbitrators.

The strike leaders here said during the day that they had been informed that Gompers, Mitchell and Keefe were coming here to try to settle the strike. They also said that Small and United States Labor Commissioner Neill were coming along on the same mission.

J. J. Nally, vice-president of the Postal company, said yesterday that the company's "Econ reports from all points east, west north and south indicated that we started this morning under almost normal conditions, with improved traffic and increased force; not a single place in the company's system this morning where we are not prepared to give prompt handling to any business the public may file with us. So far as the Postal Telegraph Cable Company is concerned the strike is over."

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FINDS NO CAUSE TO WORRY OVER THE CITY'S FINANCES.

Will Issue a Statement To-day about the So-called Crime Wave When O'Keefe Gets the Figures Ready—Goodman Soon to Have a Turn as Acting Mayor.

Mayor McClellan split his vacation by returning to his office yesterday. The Charter provides that in the event of the Mayor being absent from the city for more than thirty days the acting Mayor shall be empowered to exercise all the functions of the office, including removals and appointments, and while Mr. McClellan had no reason to fear that acting Mayor McGowan would embarrass him in any way he decided to return before the expiration of the stipulated period.

At the end of the week, however, the Mayor will go back to Maine to continue his holiday for another two weeks, and as Mr. McGowan left for his vacation on Sunday Vice-President Goodman of the Board of Aldermen will have a turn as acting Mayor.

Mayor McClellan saw nearly all the heads of the departments yesterday. He had long talks also with acting Comptroller McCooey and Deputy Police Commissioner O'Keefe, who is now in charge of the Police Department.

Mr. McCooey, it was learned, told the Mayor that while the last public sale of bonds had been a failure, the result was due entirely to the state of the money market and although the sale of bonds "over the counter" had not been successful it would be unfair to condemn the act permitting such sales until an opportunity had been provided for testing the new system under normal conditions.

After his conference with Mr. McCooey the Mayor said that there was no need for the belief that the failure at this time of the city's money market was due to anything but a serious situation. He pointed out that while there might be some little delay on some of the large general public improvements the city was always in a position to borrow money for salaries and other immediate necessities by issuing revenue bonds. The Mayor intimated yesterday that he did not intend to call the Sinking Fund Commission together while he was in town, either for the purpose of having that body raise the rate of interest on the city's bonds or for the purpose of issuing revenue bonds.

It was learned also that Commissioner O'Keefe informed the Mayor that the so-called crime wave was the creation of sensational newspaper stories, and that the records of the department showed that the attacks on women and children in the last month were not more numerous than the average figures of such crimes.

Mayor McClellan asked Commissioner O'Keefe to prepare a statement for him comparing the number of assaults committed on women and girls for the last two months with the number for the corresponding months of last year. The Mayor expects to get this report to-day, and he will make it public.

NO TRIAL FOR HERTLE.

Resignation of Commissioner of Accounts Takes Him Out of Mayor's Hands.

John C. Hertle, who resigned as Commissioner of Accounts a couple of weeks ago when charges were made against him by the Bureau of Municipal Research that he had been using the subordinates of the department to do work for his accountant firm during hours that they were supposed to be working for the city, was dropped yesterday from the city service without being compelled to answer charges.

When Mr. Hertle sent in his resignation acting Mayor McGowan refused to accept it. Mayor McClellan returned to town yesterday and in obedience to a notification which had been sent to him Mr. Hertle, accompanied by Thomas F. Donnelly, his accountant, called on the City Hall to subject himself to trial.

Earlier in the day, however, the Mayor had been advised by Corporation Counsel White that as Mr. Hertle had formally resigned his office was consequently vacant and the Mayor under the law had no power to put Hertle on trial in view of the fact that he was no longer an official of the municipality.

After announcing that he would not be justified in going on with the hearing the Mayor handed the letter to Hertle on the 7th day of August, 1907, and that I have no power either to refuse to accept his resignation or to remove him from office for cause shown.

It is hardly necessary for me to comment on the action of a city official in resigning in the face of such serious charges as those which have been preferred against you.

NIGHT RIDERS MURDER THREAT.

Warn Kentucky Tobacco Co. Manager That He Will Be Killed.

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky., Aug. 19.—Robert W. White, manager of the Geisler Manufacturing Company, and one of the best known men in western Kentucky, has received a number of letters from Night Riders threatening him with death if he continues to visit his home in Caldwell county, Ky. The letters accuse White of being antagonistic to the Dark Tobacco Association and of using his influence in preventing farmers from joining the association.

It has long been White's custom to pay frequent visits to the home of his father, near Cobb, in Caldwell county, having been born in the town of Whitesburg, Ky. The letters threaten him with death if he continues to visit his home on Friday afternoon. White received several more letters telling him that he would be killed if he did not stop visiting his home. The elder White recently joined the association because of numerous threats made against him. He and other members of the family have held out, and it is charged in the letters that R. W. White is responsible for this action.

The threatening letters have been mailed at various towns in Caldwell and Trigg counties and number about forty in all.

ROBBERY HOTEL KNICKERBOCKER.

Charge Against Clerk Who Is Brought Back From Buffalo.

John J. Fleig, who lives in Buffalo, was locked up at Police Headquarters last night for the larceny of \$10.80. Arthur L. Barney, manager of the Hotel Knickerbocker, was the complainant.

For some months Fleig was the receiving clerk at the Knickerbocker, having charge of the checking of all supplies brought into the hotel. He left New York a few weeks ago and shortly after that he was discovered that \$700 worth of linen had been stolen.

ST. PAUL TRAIN HITS HANDCAR.

Locomotive and Express and Mail Cars Roll Down Embankment.

CEBAR RAPIDS, Ia., Aug. 19.—Passenger train No. 3 on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad was wrecked to-day at Keystone, thirty miles west of here.

Twenty persons were injured, several seriously.

The wreck was caused by the train colliding with a handcar on a twenty foot embankment. The locomotive and express and mail cars went down the embankment.

FLOODS AT BLUEFIELDS.

Banana Crop Half Ruined—Farms Badly Damaged—Fatalities Feared.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 19.—Passengers arrived from Nicaragua report great injury to the banana crop from severe floods, the loss being in excess of 50 per cent. of the crop and worse in the Bluefields and Rama districts.

The Rama River has swollen to many times its normal size. In the town of Rama the water rose to the second stories of the houses, the residents being forced to seek refuge there. Many persons were rescued from the flood through the upper windows or from the roofs.

A number of shacks were demolished and several of the smaller settlements were completely destroyed, and it is feared that there has been some loss of life. Along the river and its tributaries the water washed the soil away from the banana plants, while the tornado blew down the trees with their growing fruit. The loss at and around Bluefields and Rama is estimated at more than \$500,000.

CHILDS ASSAILANT CAPTURED.

Sheriff Escapes With Him From Lynchers by Speeding His Automobile.

MEADVILLE, Pa., Aug. 19.—The tramp who attacked Alma Whitehead, the fourteen-year-old daughter of the Rev. J. M. Whitehead of Turnersville, Pa., on Saturday night was run down by bloodhounds from Warren, Ohio, and captured shortly after midnight Sunday in a swamp near Wick, Ashtabula county.

He was brought to Meadville to-day by Sheriff Marshall and County Detective Lally.

At several points along the road to Meadville the news of the capture had preceded the officers and excited groups of men assembled bent upon lynching the prisoner. Sheriff Marshall, however, by throwing on the full power of his automobile passed through the angry crowds.

Sheriff Marshall said the man admitted his identity. He gave the name of H. W. Wagner and said he was 45 years old. He was immediately arraigned on the charge of criminal assault.

Both Marshall and Lally received pitchfork wounds while escaping with their prisoner.

The crime of which Wagner is accused was one of the most revolting in the history of western Pennsylvania. Alma Whitehead, daughter of the Rev. J. M. Whitehead of Turnersville, was dragged into a thicket late Saturday evening and brutally maltreated. She was stripped and left tied to a tree with ropes made from her clothing. The girl will recover, but her mother is prostrated from the shock and may die.

AN EMPTY SKIFF IN THE BAY.

Clothes and Tackle in It and a Theory of Two Drowned Is Developed.

Lieut. Francis Kelley of the old harbor police found a skiff anchored about half a mile off the foot of Bay Nineteenth street yesterday morning. The skiff was empty, but it contained a number of articles of clothing and some fishing tackle. From letters in the pockets of the clothing the lieutenant learned that it belonged to Rayden H. Kelsey of 1823 Eighty-third street, Bath Beach, and Joseph C. Strassman of 1822 Seventy-first street, Bath Beach.

Upon inquiry at these addresses it was found that the young men had left home early yesterday morning wearing bathing suits under their street clothes. They said they were going fishing. The skiff, Lieut. Kelley found was one that had rented from William Moore, whose house is at the foot of Bay Nineteenth street.

Acting on the assumption that the young men were drowned orders were given the Bath Beach police to watch the beach for their bodies.

RESTORE OLD BAGGAGE LIMIT.

Missouri Railroads Will Resume Carrying 150 Pounds to the